

Int. Women's Day speakers scourge capitalist system

by Sasha Cunningham

Speakers at the International Women's Day Celebration concurred that women's oppression is inextricably linked to capitalism. International Women's Day commemorates working women's solidarity in their struggle for emancipation.

The four panel members speaking to one hundred people at McGill Friday evening said that "only under socialism are women completely liberated."

During the discussion, the Women's Collective Press announced it was disbanding at the end of the year. They explained the need for socialism has brought the group to the understanding that the "time has come for progressive women to re-unite with progressive men to build a socialist society."

The original split in the Left came about, according to Vanda Sendzemir, spokesperson for the Collective, when "women

There will be a march for the International Women's Day this evening at 6:30 pm starting at Lafontaine Park.

stopped making coffee for the big shot revolutionaries." They realized that although the problems for men and women as progressives were the same, particular frustrations among women were a result of psychological barriers and sexist attitudes. The development of the feminist left was the result.

Tracing the history of the progressive women's movement, Sendzemir pointed out that this new isolation from the Left exposed them to women with bourgeois ideas "who wanted to share in the benefits of the feminist movement." Consequently, progressive women also lost their ties with Third World women.

Sendzemir felt that "historically and practically, the time has come for progressive women to join with the Left and carry on their struggles against capitalism as a whole." Admitting that the problem of sexism still remains as well as psychological shackles, she felt that women must now "show men how sexism has divided the party so that they will be able to mix with and aid the Left."

"If the group has principles and is disciplined there shouldn't be any sexism."

"The Women's Collective

WEEKLYISM

All weekly members should drop everything at 5 pm today for the usual meeting in the Daily office. Refreshments will be conspicuously absent.

Press has come to realize that separate women's groups can become waylaid in the pitfalls of bourgeois feminism." This was cited as their reason for disbanding and joining larger political groups.

Another woman, speaking for the McGill Circle of the Canadian Communist League (CCL-ML), emphasized that women in socialist countries, such as Albania and China, were well on their way towards complete equality, having gained socialization of housework. "This has relieved women and the family of domestic tasks by providing cafeterias, daycare and education."

According to speaker Sarah Binder, 90 percent of the women in China and Albania work in both heavy and light industry. "In capitalist countries the myth that women work because they want to, not because they have to has prevented women from participating in the economy and has kept them at home."

Binder's speech prompted questions concerning China's recent move in granting \$300,000,000 in aid to Chile. Julian Sher, responding from the audience for CCL-ML, explained that China did not discriminate between non-socialist governments, be they bourgeois democracies or fascist. He added that China's foreign policy was one of not interfering with the internal affairs of any nation. "She does not separate Chile from any other government."

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Shiree Mulay (left) from the Afro-Asian Latin-American Solidarity Committee and Vanda Sendzemir (right) of the Women's Collective Press at the conference on International Women's Day. The Women's Collective announced that they will be disbanding at the end of the term.

Georgian runs Molson ads

by Sara Williams

The Georgian has decided to continue to run its Molson beer advertising pending further investigation into the boycott situation.

Claiming a neutral position concerning the boycott, the Sir George Williams publication in its March 2 edition said that it would not run the ads until it had more information. Meanwhile, three Students' Society typesetters, who support the Molson boycott, are refusing to work on the Georgian because of its stand.

Workers at the Molson-owned Vilas furniture plant have been on strike for eight months protesting unsafe working conditions and substandard pay. Many Canadian student newspapers, as a result of the Daily's campaign, have refused to publish any Molson ads in support of the workers.

Kevin Quinn, editor of the

Georgian, said it had been his personal decision to pull the Molson ad last Tuesday, but after discussing the issue with his staff, a collective decision was made to begin running it again.

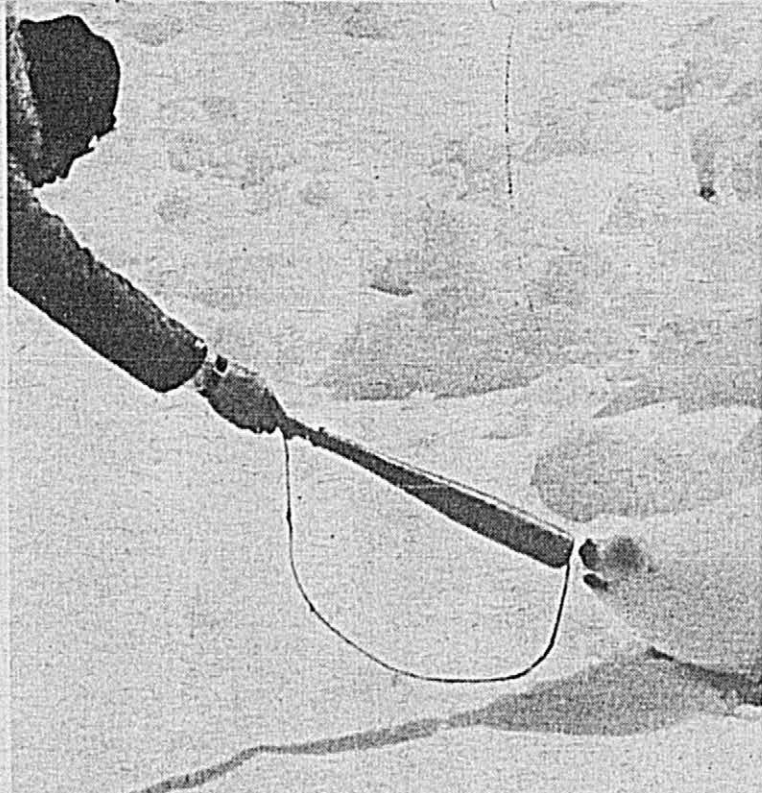
"We still don't have enough information so we are remaining neutral," Quinn said. "The product—Molson beer—is a neutral product and is not what is being called into question so we will proceed to run the ad," he continued.

Quinn said that until the Georgian finishes its investigation it will consider Molson innocent until proved guilty. In a March 2 interview with the Daily, Quinn commented "Leaving Molson ads in the paper would be tantamount to taking a stand supporting the company."

The three typesetters who are refusing to work on the Georgian disagree with the reasoning

behind the decision to resume running the ad. "I have nothing against the Georgian personally but I don't think they are remaining neutral by running it," one typesetter said. Another said that by continuing to run the Molson ad the Georgian was showing bias towards the Molson Breweries and therefore for the Molson Companies Limited of which Vilas Furniture is a subsidiary. "I think the Georgian is being very irresponsible and taking the easy way out by continuing to run the Molson ads," he added.

Bob Burton, manager of Students' Society Typesetting, said that the three have "every right" to refuse to work on the Georgian. He stated that they have not caused any confusion in the typesetting department because they are only part-time help and that there are usually enough people around to get the paper out.



A typical sealer's technique involves a friendly approach to the unsuspecting seal before it is whacked on the head and skinned. Greenpeace is planning to spray the seals' coats with a dye that has "been tested for safety in scientific studies."

Greenpeace sails; Sealers to protest

by Jeff Kessler

As part of their effort to save endangered species of animals, Greenpeace is sailing to the ice fields off Labrador to combat the slaughter of Harp Seals, which are killed for their pelts.

According to the Greenpeace group, best known for their campaign to prevent excess whaling, "the Atlantic Harp Seal, which once numbered millions, may well become extinct if the present hunting pressure is maintained by Canada and Norway... results indicate quite clearly that if seal hunting is carried out at the present level (120,000 for Canada and Norway and 30,000 for Magdalen Islanders) the Atlantic Harp Seal will be extinct by 1983."

John Hickey, a spokesperson for Greenpeace told the Daily

that when members of the group arrive off Labrador, they plan to spray the white coats of the endangered seals with a harmless green dye to make them commercially worthless to hunters.

"We will only be spraying ten per cent of their body area so as not to affect heat absorption," said Hickey. "We will be using a dye that has been tested for safety in scientific studies."

The annual seal hunt begins on March 15 and lasts until the end of April. Greenpeace notes that the sealers often work in haste and in a fatigued condition which leads to careless methods of killing the seals. "Cruelty is inevitable and this abuse of helpless and intelligent animals is intolerable."

Hickey said that Greenpeace

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WOMEN AND THE LAW

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Nominations for President & Vice President must be signed by 50 members of the M.B.S.U. Nominations for the 4 executive member positions must be signed by 25 members of the M.B.S.U. Members of the M.B.S.U. are those students registered in programs of one of the following departments: Anatomy, Biochemistry, Biology, Microbiology & Immunology, or Physiology.

All nominations must be countersigned by the candidate who must include his or her phone number. As well, all members signing nomination papers are required to list their department and year beside their signature. Nominations must contain only the following words: "We, the undersigned members of the McGill Biology Students Union nominate _____ for the position of _____." Candidates must submit nominations to the M.B.S.U. office, Room W2 4 of the Stewart Biology Building by 5 pm., Friday, March 12th, 1976. Candidates may withdraw from the election no later than 3 days in advance of the election date.

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- U3 REPRESENTATIVE (ending December 31, 1976)
- U1 REPRESENTATIVE (ending December 31, 1976)
- SECRETARY (July 1, 1976 — June 30, 1977)

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All Nominations must be countersigned by the candidate, who must include his or her phone number. Nominations for class reps must be signed only by members of the candidate's class. As well, all members signing nomination papers are required to list their year & the degree they are pursuing beside their signature. Nominations must contain only the following words: "We, the undersigned members of the Arts & Science Undergraduate Society, nominate _____ for the position of _____". Candidates must submit nominations to the A.S.U.S. mailbox in the Students' Society Office by 4 pm. Tuesday, March 9th, 1976.

N.B. Candidates must submit photos & pen sketches (up to 100 words, typed) at the ASUS mailbox no later than March 10, 4 pm. Candidates may withdraw from the election no later than 7 days in advance of the election date.

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—General Creighton Abrams
 NEW YORK (LNS)— McDonald's, the nation's eleventh largest private employer, has 3000 outlets where 150,000 people work. Most of the workers are under 21. Few are paid much more than the minimum wage.

On the other hand, McDonald's Corporation head Ray Kroc is one of the fifteen richest individuals in the country, worth half a billion dollars. His entire wealth is based on McDonald's. Kroc estimated in 1971 that 60 to 70 owner-operators of outlets were millionaires, and that some operators could turn a before-taxes profit of \$50,000 to \$75,000 a year.

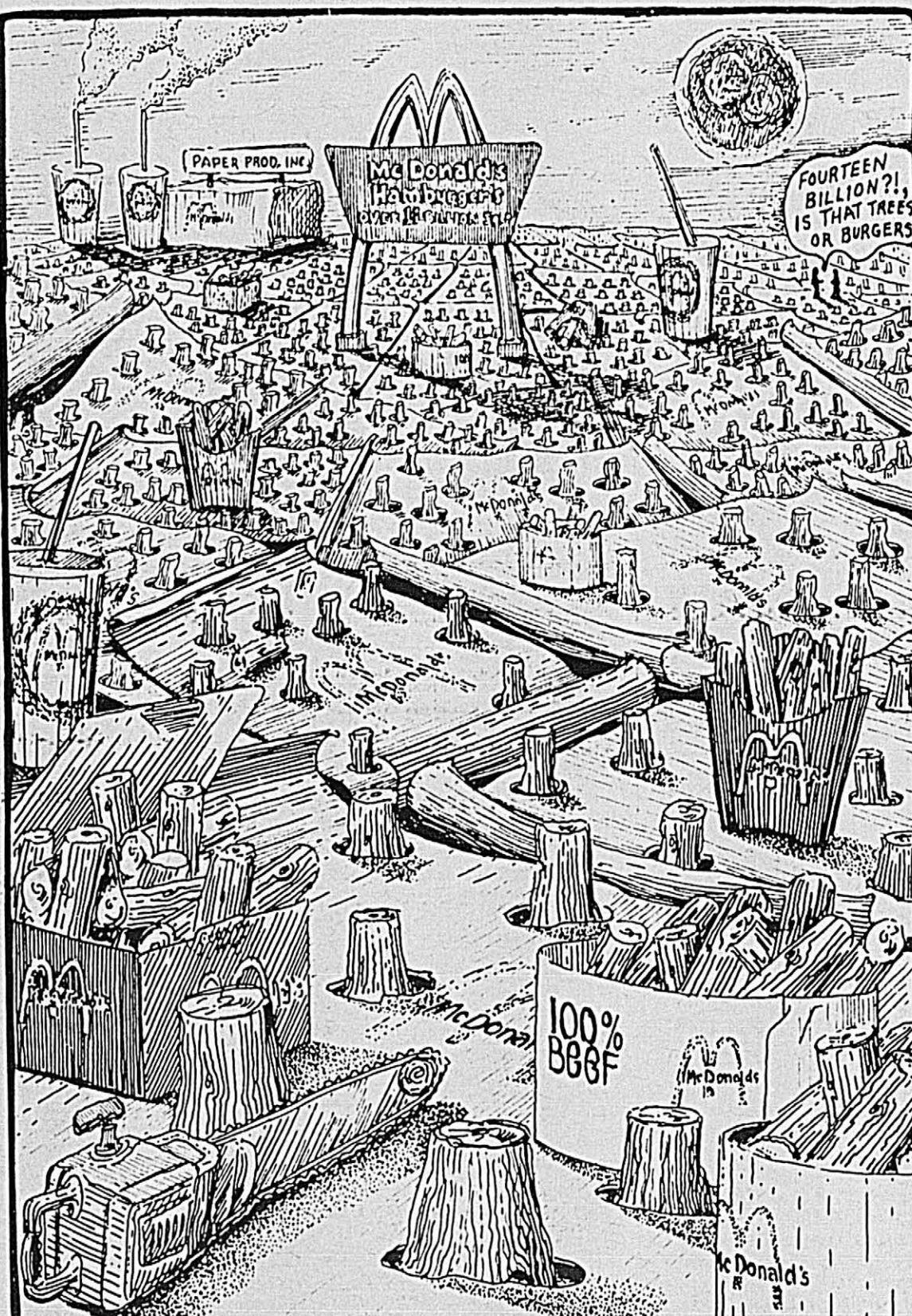
McDonald's profit rests on keeping wages low, and the company knows it. In 1972 Ray Kroc made a \$255,000 donation to Richard Nixon's re-election campaign. Soon after his re-election, Nixon amended a proposed minimum wage law so that, while the minimum for most workers was raised to \$2.20 an hour, it stayed the same (\$1.80), and in some cases actually decreased, for young people. This bill promptly became known as the "McDonald's Minimum" although Nixon denied any connection between Kroc's donation and the proposed law. Congress rejected Nixon's amendment and passed a minimum wage that included young people, which Nixon then vetoed as "inflationary."

The McDonald's hamburger chain consumes each year, 315 square miles of forest land for wrapping paper, napkins, bags, and straws. McDonald's uses more energy to prepare its "food" than the electrical output for the cities of Pittsburgh, San Francisco, and Washington, D.C. combined. The Center for Science in the Public Interest, a Washington public interest group, recently calculated that McDonald's expends three times the energy an average home consumer would use to prepare an equivalent amount of food.

Working at McDonald's

What do the young McDonald's workers think of the company? "I hated it," says Nancy Boris, a former employee. "I hated every damn minute of it."

At one time Nancy couldn't have worked at McDonald's at all. For many years the company refused to hire women, especially teen-aged women, because Ray Kroc believed "they attract



"Anything for a warm, sanitary burger" Gerald L. Wise 73

the wrong kind of boys." The company was forced to drop that policy by federal legislation.

Other forms of discrimination remained. Nancy spent most of her time in the jobs generally filled by women—bagging french fries, cleaning the lobby and taking orders at the window. Men at the same restaurant tended to work the grill ("It takes a lot of muscle to scrape that grill properly" said one manager) and backroom, carrying boxes of food up from the basement.

"Working the window was a little better than in the back

because it wasn't so hot," Nancy said. But I hated always having to smile and say "May I help someone please?" and "Thank you, come again." They think it so important that their employees smile, but they don't give a shit whether you've got anything to smile about."

Whether you're cooking french fries, working the grill, dressing hamburgers, or mixing shakes, the work is monotonous though often frantic. However, "If you have time to lean you have time to clean," chant the managers.

Everything is standardized and premeasured. Lights tell when to take out the fries and buzzers warn you that the Hot Apple Pies are done. A special squirter makes it impossible to put too much or too little secret sauce on each Big Mac. The procedure for dressing hamburgers has been carefully planned by efficiency experts.

Harvard Business School Professor Theodore Levitt has described McDonald's as a "machine that produces, with the help of totally unskilled machine tenders, a highly

polished product. Everything is built integrally into the machine itself, into the technology of the system. The only choice available to the attendant is to operate it exactly as the designer intended."

The company tries to increase productivity by getting workers to compete. At Nancy's store, cashiers receipts were checked every hour and the manager sang out the name of whoever had the most sales. Since pay raises are based on performance, it's not surprising that "there was much eager competition for this recognition, and the may-I-help you pleases were loud and insistent" when this "game" was being played.

Low wages

Workers at McDonald's begin at the minimum wage level—in many states, \$1.80 an hour minus social security, state taxes and federal taxes. There are no fringe benefits.

The first two weeks are considered probationary—at the end of that time the manager has evaluated worker performance. If it's satisfactory he gives you a raise—usually 5c or 10c an hour. Otherwise you get fired. Quite a few workers are fired at this point, and each store hires more than it really needs to allow for this "weeding" process.

Whenever workers try to challenge this low wage, the company is ruthless. The employees handbook warns that you can be fired for "enticing, coercing or influencing others to fail to maintain production standards"—in other words, for union organizing. There have been a few isolated spontaneous strikes: in Boston an entire crew walked out in the middle of a rush hour. But there have been no organizing drives with widespread or longterm success, due to the rapid employee turnover, the corporation's intimidation and the little interest shown by labor unions.

Nancy recalled that generally the people who liked their jobs "were ones who didn't have to be there. It was something to do. They were living with their parents and didn't have to pay for rent or food; their pay was just spending money. It was sort of a social event, too; a lot of their friends worked there and they just worked a few hours a day. Besides, they knew they could quit whenever they wanted to."

But for many young employees the decision to work at McDonald's grew out of necessity. Nancy, for example, explained, "I worked 30 to 35 hours a week and took home \$50. After I paid the rent and groceries and transportation there wasn't much left."

Referring to corporate head Ray Kroc, Nancy said, "I feel like I've hated him all my life."

around campus

Bookstore

While students complain about the high cost of books and their unavailability, and attribute it to the bookstore, the people who work there feel this is a misconception that should be cleared up.

According to the workers in the McGill Bookstore, late requisitions are the chief culprit for missing books. The professors should get their requisitions in three months ahead of time to guarantee that the books get in on time.

Of course this is not the only problem. Many school books printed in the United States do not have Canadian copyrights. This means that one cannot sell them here without first obtaining Canadian rights, which takes time, sometimes much time, and many must do without these books.

Some publishers do not have agents in Canada, in which case it takes more time to get the books. The workers at the bookstore feel that they can give good service if they receive the request for the book on time. They will often fly the book in if necessary.

Out-of-print books are beyond the control of the bookstore no matter how much time they are given. Because of the transitory nature of textbooks which go out of print with alarming frequency, there is often no solution but to use another book.

Because McGill's year starts later than those of other schools, many times CEGEP students will buy up certain books. Re-ordering takes time so that one may have to wait a few confused weeks before the books arrive.

A solution would be to let only McGill students into the bookstore. But it is felt that the bookstore has an obligation to the community to give access to books not available elsewhere.

Many problems are caused by the unique registration system. As there is no preregistration, there is no way of determining how many books to order for a given course. Even after the semester has begun, course changes cause problems. Where class size is much larger than the previous years, nothing can be done but to wait for the books to come in.

For the beginning of the term rush, know the author and the title of the book you are looking for. If the salesperson answers quickly to an obscure title it is because the demand for the book is high.

The bookstore itself does not keep any of the money it makes. All the profits go to the Students' Society. The bookstore does not set the prices. The publishers set the prices and then sell the textbooks at a 20 per cent discount to the store. This 20 per cent goes towards hiring labor, overhead, and transportation costs. Compare this with the 40 per cent discount on popular



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books.

Since the low profit margin and low turnover rates discourage most stores from selling textbooks, the university bookstore provides a valuable service to the student. The bookstore has, within the last few years, been run at a deficit which is absorbed by the university.

The publishers themselves do not actually make more money from marketing a textbook than from a regular book. The textbooks appeal to a limited audience and thus it is more expensive to defray the cost of printing. Since knowledge in specialized topics is changing all the time, texts are being revised constantly. This means the books must be re-typeset and reprinted. This costs money that is charged to students.

The high cost of paperbacks is due to the publishers' method of marketing books. Most paperbacks are preceded by a hardcover edition which defrays the cost of setting up the paperback plates. However, for some textbooks there is no hardcover edition to cover the printing costs. The deficit is covered in the price of the paperback. Some books contain information that is new or exclusive to a subject. These books cost more because of their monopoly in the field. Buy these books used whenever possible.

The duty on foreign books, or the publisher raising his prices are responsible for the higher price markups over the original price. This again is something the bookstore has no control over and as such the student can do nothing about it.

—Jon McHugh

Women's Union

One of the issues generated as a result of the recent crisis at the Women's Union was that

the existing Constitution would be an encumbrance to the rebuilding and restructuring of a newly vitalized Women's Union. One pressing area of reform involved the need for a greater diffusion of power and hence, a more equitable basis for decision-making. For instance, it was pointed out that few women (outside of the presently outgoing executive) were familiar with the intricacies of the Union's Budget: decisions concerning funding of projects or sponsoring of speakers appeared to be made arbitrarily and without the consultation of most of its members at large.

Clearly, this state of affairs was not satisfactory and a small committee was appointed to research into this issue and to propose recommendations which could be reworked into the present Constitution, thus allowing for a more democratic and flexible system of control.

The appointed committee started in high gear and after two weeks of active debate developed a skeleton structure for a proposed co-ordinating collective. It was suggested that each member within the collective be delegated specific responsibilities, thus ensuring the smooth day-to-day running of the Women's Union. Ten positions were proposed, including those of an Internal Communications Manager, a Budgeteer, a University Representative, an Office Manager and an Activities Co-ordinator. It was decided that positions with such gilded titles as "President", "Treasurer", etc., should be phased away as they were much too pretentious; also, they would not allow for a more democratic system of jurisdiction.

Before anyone accuses the committee of inconsistency—in that democratic means of

governance can hardly be promised by replacing one executive hierarchy by another (albeit with more appealing and less awesome appellations), it must be stressed that the committee specifically proposed that the co-ordinating collective not be enfranchised with any special voting privileges. Instead, it was suggested that all motions must be passed on a majority vote, with a quorum of ten present, of which five must be non-collective members. This would ensure that each member of the Women's Union had an equal hand in all decisions made and furthermore, restrict the functioning of the co-ordinating collective to that of a watchdog body and not some dynastic suprastructure.

An open forum will be held at the Women's Union on Wednesday, March 10th, at 5 pm whereby the recommendations of the committee may be examined, criticized and improved upon. A final meeting has been scheduled for the next day, at the same time and the same place, whereupon positions within the co-ordinating collective will be filled. It is recommended that all women interested in committing themselves to the future of the Women's Union attend both meetings and to bring along any suggestions they may have.

—C.K.L. Bun
[for the Women's Union].

Interim Management Committee

The Interim Management Committee, set up in conjunction with the I.P.C. has until this day been operating effectively. Set up by resolution of Senate, the I.M.C. has respon-

sibility over the physical assets of the Students' Society, meaning the Students' Union Center.

Past meetings held regularly on Wednesday evenings have dealt with routine matters, such as security in the Union Building, room allocation, cafeteria operation, and ball-room rentals. Assignments, however, were swept away as the I.M.C. became embroiled in hassles over what exactly are the functions of the I.M.C.

The difficulties started when it was found that appeals of I.M.C. decisions could be taken directly to the I.P.C. disregarding the criteria set up by the I.M.C. Dean Mirza, Chairman of the I.M.C. had sent a letter to the I.P.C. about the matter asking that the application of appeals of the I.M.C. be made to the I.M.C. The letter was discussed at the end of the Monday night I.P.C. meeting and forgotten. Members of the I.M.C. felt their positions were useless since their decisions could be so easily overturned. Hence a call for mass resignation was made at the Wednesday meeting but was disregarded.

Although Earle Taylor and members of the I.P.C., said that the work of the I.M.C. was appreciated they could not convince the members of the committee about the feeling.

At this point the meeting was extended and as it turned out a majority of the time was spent discussing the jurisdiction of the I.M.C. Dean Mirza stated that the Senate resolution D5-36 of December 10 required the presentation of a new Constitution at the March 10, 1976 Senate meeting. Mirza reported that the CRSS would probably not meet this deadline and that the meeting will receive instead an interim progress report. In view of this development it was noted that the I.M.C. and the I.P.C. may have to extend their mandate beyond the initial deadline.

The idea of summer quorum was a major argument at the last I.P.C. meeting where chairman Lorne Merryweather stated his intention to resign. At the Wednesday meeting of the I.M.C., Dean Mirza stated his attention of delivering to Senate a proposal to totally change the present structure of the I.P.C.-I.M.C. His initial proposal setting up a new structure was challenged by the I.M.C. members who had reservations about the proposal. The meeting ended with the I.M.C. deciding what they wanted to be within their jurisdiction including management of the Union building and finances. Further it was felt that the I.M.C. should only be accountable to Senate.

The present member of the I.P.C. presented his almost total rejection of the I.M.C. motions asking for moderation and an explanation of the future of the I.P.C.

Randy Orr

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"Quote-unquote" is a new Daily department devoted to miscellaneous essays on various subjects, serious, humorous, and in between.

The women don't fit in

As evidenced by the Comment article by Malcolm Guy in Friday's Daily the primary thrust of International Women's Day seems to be in emphasizing working women and the struggle for socialism. Besides resulting in the submerging of the women's struggle in movements of supposed greater priority, such a political orientation needs some further justification from its proponents.

Mr. Guy's comment on the women within the Common Front clearly falls short in this regard. The article neither establishes that these women, in battling the wage and price controls, are consciously urging on the same

type of socialism Mr. Guy envisions, nor indeed does it show that socialism itself automatically spells sexual equality. In fact, the author neglects to reveal how sexual exploitation is an inevitable characteristic of capitalism, a trait which, if established, would lead to rejection of that system by the female emancipation movement.

One is led to wonder if Mr. Guy has not, somewhat gratuitously, fit sexual oppression into his preconceived socio-economic analysis of general oppression, so as to re-direct some of the enthusiasm engendered by women's rights consciousness.

The principal fault of the author's analysis, besides the need for elucidation on some apparent non-sequiturs, is that it relies on an intangible model. Mr. Guy cannot point to any socialist or communist state, saying "here exists equality."

The best he can do is to indicate that perhaps in China the people are working steadily towards it. But with Trotskyites and Maoists at continual interpretive loggerheads even here at McGill, one doesn't know what to believe about the People's Republic these days. What then is to be emulated in the supposed inevitable socialist turn-over?

The author, and by implication the International Women's Day celebration at McGill, is guilty of attempting to impose an abstracted analysis upon women who on the whole do not fit, and do not necessarily want to fit, into it. In attempting to establish a goal for women (and men) which, beyond the simple destruction of capitalism, is so doubtful and undefined, the author can only divide and alienate those who are trying to achieve practicable reform within a changing concept of capitalism.

-Ted Wakefield

today

International Women's Day: March and demonstration to-night starting at 6:30 from Parc Lafontaine to celebrate International Women's Day.

Radio McGill: Staff meeting 5 pm in Studio A (Union basement). New staff, non-staff and Ernest Boucher encouraged to attend. Progress reports on all aspects of the station's activities are to be presented by the Managing Board. This includes advertising, programming format, technical reports, feeding of squirrels and outlook for the remainder of the semester. Long-term plans for next year's operations also discussed. More info, call Len at 392-8922 and leave message.

Joint IPC-IMC Meeting: There will be a joint meeting for all members of both committees in room 327 of the Union at 7:00 pm. It is imperative that all members attend.

Interim Policy Committee: There will be an urgent meeting of the IPC at 5:00 pm in Union 307. It is imperative that all members attend to prepare a policy statement for submission to Senate.

what's what

GAY MCGILL

At 6:30 pm in Parc Lafontaine a contingent from Gay McGill will join Groupe Homosexuel d'Action Politique and individuals from the Montreal gay community to form a gay delegation in tonight's International Women's Day demon-

stration. Anyone interested in participating should come to the park at 6:00.

The Gay McGill office and library are now open during a regular series of weekly hours: Mondays 2 to 5 and 7 to 11 pm, Tuesdays 2 to 9 pm, Wednesdays 2 to 8 pm, Thursdays 2 to 5 pm, and Fridays 2 to 7 pm. A good selection of gay books and periodicals is being maintained, and the public is invited to drop by Union B-41 or phone 392-8917 to talk, read, or just to visit.

ANTHROPOLOGY STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION

There will be a meeting of the A.S.A. on Wed. the 10 at 12 in Leacock 738. To be discussed: Edmund-Leach's April visit and the election of contract rep. All Anthro students are welcome.

GRAD PICS

The deadline for having your picture taken for Old McGill '76 is April 15. Photos may only be taken at Van Dyck and Meyers Studio, 1121 St. Catherine St. West. Information sheets are available at the Union box office or at the photographer.

OLD MCGILL STAFF

There will be a meeting of the Old McGill Staff in the Union (room B-44-45) at 6 pm Tuesday and Thursday. Anyone interested in working on the yearbook is urged to attend regardless of experience. If you would like to work on the book but can't make it at these times, please call Michael at either 392-8990 or 342-2947 (evenings).

OLD MCGILL YEARBOOK

Now on sale at the Union Box Office, \$7.50 each. Further info available at the Union.

ANTHROPOLOGY SPEAKER

Wally Firth, M.P. from the North West Territories will visit McGill on March 10 and 11 to make the McGill community aware of the situation in the Territories with regard to Native Land Settlements.

On Wednesday, March 10, he will speak in Leacock 219 at 11

am and Thursday March 11, he will join Max Dunbar, Chairman of the Marine Sciences Centre, and Ian MacDougall, an economist from Halifax in a panel discussion of Native Land Settlements and the MacKenzie Valley Pipeline. This meeting will be in Leacock 26, from 3:00 to 5:00. All Welcome.

DRAMA STUDENTS

The Programme Committee of the English Department has established a Task Force to review the Drama Programme. All interested students are invited to submit suggestions, briefs and proposals on the Programme. These should be sent to Professor H. Anderson, Director of the Drama Programme, room 155, Arts Building as soon as possible. For further information call 392-4483.

ANTHROPOLOGY STUDENTS IN AFRICA

On Wed. March 10 at 4 o'clock in Leacock 738, Professor D. Aronson is speaking on the future of anthropology in Africa: addressing such questions as, "Are the kinds of studies that anthros have traditionally done in Africa relevant?" and "Are anthros welcomed in Africa or elsewhere?" Refreshments will be served, everyone is welcome.

RADIO MCGILL

Production workshop to take place at Radio McGill Tuesday and Wednesday evening from 7-9 pm. Bert Gordon, announcer-broadcaster at CJFM, will be on hand to assist disc jockeys and the news staff with proper voice techniques and improved methods of radio announcing. Attendance is compulsory for all active staff members. Contact Barbara at 735-2939 after 10 pm for more information and to reserve a place. Attendance is limited.

PARA-LIT MEET

The Committee for Research on Para-Literature invites you to its meeting with Mr. Lee

Baxandall, the distinguished New York critic and aesthetician who will speak on "Popular Literature and Science Fiction Criticism." The meeting will be held on Thursday, March 11 at 4 pm in the Arts Council Room. Everybody welcome.

CROSS COUNTRY SKI DAY

Sunday, March 14 at Far Hills Inn, Val Morin. Bus leaves the Van Horne Shopping Centre at 8 am on Sunday morning. The cost is \$5.00 for busfare, \$7.00 for the equipment and \$2.00 trails' fee (only for those with their own skis). The busfare must be paid in advance at McGill Hillel, 3460 Stanley Street. There are no reservations without payment and places will be filled on a first come first served basis. Info: McGill Hillel—845-9171.

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WOMEN'S

SELF-HELP CENTRE

The Centre is holding a breast and cervical self-examination demonstration Tuesday Mar. 9, 7 pm at 3595 St. Urbain St. The evening also includes a slide show and refreshments. All women welcome. Info: 844-5893.

JEWS AND ARABS IN ISRAEL: INTEGRATION AND DISCONTENT

With Zeidan Atashai, Druse-Arab Israeli and Consul of Israel in New York (on leave). Tuesday, March 9 at 8 pm Leacock 26. Info, McGill Hillel, 845-9171.

EXHIBITION OF GRAPHICS

The U3 Arts Majors students of the Faculty of Education have arranged an exhibition of works by Montreal graphic artists Susan Hudson, Susan

Gersovitz and Joe (surname undecipherable in submission). The exhibit runs to March 12. For info contact B. Jacques, Education Bldg.

HEALTH LECTURES

The Herzl Family Practice Centre of the Jewish General Hospital sponsors a lecture series on relevant health issues, open to the public free of charge. They will be held in the Block Amphitheatre of the JGH, main floor, 3755 Cote St. Catherine Road. Tues. Apr. 6, 8-10 pm: "Stress and Your Health." May 4, 8-10 pm: "Cancer." June 1, 8-10 pm: "Nutrition and Your Health." For more info: Ms. Bella Rath, Herzl Family Practice, 739-6371, local 33.

M.S.S. BLOOD DONOR CLINIC

The blood donor clinic is on Tuesday, March 16 between 12 noon and 8 pm in the McIntyre Building, 6th floor. All volunteers are urged to attend a meeting on Wednesday, March 10, 5 pm, in the M.S.S. office, 6th floor McIntyre.

CO-ED DANCE INSTRUCTION

Tuesday at Douglas Hall Residence there will be a co-ed dance instruction at 7:30 pm. All welcome—50 cents a lesson. Info 849-5579.

WRITERS' WORKSHOP

Do you write creatively? The Writers' Workshop offers discussions, criticism and encouragement for students by students. All are welcome. Meets every Tues. and Thurs. at 1 pm, room 350 Arts Bldg.

ECONOMIC STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION

Professor Grantham, Department of Economics, will discuss "The Evolution of the Payments Mechanism in Early Modern Europe." Tuesday March 9, at noon. Leacock Building, room 409.

Professor Fenichel of the Economics Department will speak on a surprise topic yet to be announced Thursday March 11 at noon, L-409.

suite et fin

Women...

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A second questioner commented that the speakers were referring only to China and Albania as socialist countries and asked if the conditions of women had not also improved in the Soviet Union. Binder replied that in the Soviet Union, capitalism has been restored.

Shiree Mulay, a Third World woman speaking for the Afro-Asian Latin American People's Solidarity Committee, stressed that through the device of International Women's Year (IWY), women have been lumped together as one homogeneous class. "They have been scrutinized from top to bottom anthropologically, sociologically and through photographic exhibits. But in India, IWY has not finished. Mrs. Gandhi has decreed that it will continue another two months."

She went on to explain that in India, peasant women are in a better position than their counterparts in the middle class. "Although women are the most oppressed (no one else is below them) peasant women are able to contribute to production."

Josette Lefavre, a speaker from a public daycare centre, said "The capitalist system brainwashes us into believing that it is the unique responsibility of the mother to do the housework and bring up the children. She added "If the woman does not, she suffers guilt."

"Women must demand the right to daycare because it is the collective responsibility of the entire society." In Canada, she explained, daycare services have been provided only when it has served the interests of the bourgeoisie. "During the War, the Government needed women to exploit as workers, so they provided daycare and now they no longer want to subsidize it. Now the government is attacking popular daycare centres, pressuring them to eliminate local control by parents and

monitors, because they know we won't keep the real problems of society from children," she noted.

Seals...

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is expecting quite a bit of opposition when they arrive off Labrador. "There is a demonstration planned by sealers against us up there," said Hickey. He added that Romeo LeBlanc, the Federal Minister of Fisheries who "has his seat in the area, has warned us of possible arrest even though we will be operating only in international waters."

Hickey added that he was not exactly sure what will happen when the Greenpeace people arrive but said, "If the Federal Government arrests them, they'll be charged under, get this, the 'Animal Protection Act'."

Greenpeace plans a "march for the seals" on Saturday beginning at 11:15. They suggest anyone interested call Ann Toth at 389-9325 for more information on their campaign to save the Harp Seal.

letters

One of the great bargains of our time

To the Daily:

How many students know that the top 31 executives in Bell Canada gave themselves a \$10,800 salary increase in 1975, presumably about the same time the Ottawa Mandarins received their \$6000 salary increase, just before the wage freeze.

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You could read the whole story, and much, much more. Why Ottawa gives approval to free phones, free long distance, for the wealthy, and refuses half-price phones for the poor and the elderly—all in the official transcript of the Bell hearings.

But there is not a single copy of the official transcript anywhere in Montreal, or the entire P.Que. WHY? Why does your university library not have a copy? The CTC gave many free copies, to some Ontario universities so I am reliably told. Surely such a copy is essential for your law and economics students? And for news reporters locally.

Communications is one of the fastest growing industries, of vital interest to students and the general public. Why are the people of P.Que. denied access to this public document?

Don't expect the news media to reveal too many of the secrets hidden in the transcript, for Bell charges each customer about \$1.50 cash each year to pay for about \$6,000,000 in ads, and anyone who thinks that an editor with kids to feed and a mortgage to pay is not sensitive to \$6,000,000 a year, is living in a dream world.

Even the editor of a college paper, hoping for a job eventually, somewhere in the establishment, is sensitive to Bell influence.

So my friend Jimmie Massey, age 75, living by himself on a lonely rural farm, had his phone taken out by Bell because he got a month or two behind in his bill, and now Bell wants an extra \$11 a month to put it back in. If he could not pay the monthly bill where does he find the extra \$11? So he lives alone, and may die there alone, because he cannot call for help if needed. How about your engineers coming up with a low-priced Citizens' Band radio, so that all the elderly, who can no longer afford what was once a public utility, the phone, can at least call for help when it is needed, via Citizens' Band?

Carlyle Gilmour

Economics 101

To the Daily:

Some day I hope to give a course in Economic Bullshitology so that some of you poor souls out there will begin to understand the fundamental principles of economy, something impossible to attain given the climate of collegiate polisci-fi and its heavy dependence on doubletalk, statistix and brainwashing.

Allow me to start with statements by René Levesque: "Our policy here would be fiscal, using our control of the national budget." Translation: you pay more taxes. "In Vietnam, the Americans either didn't notice or didn't read

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history. You can't beat down a nation!" Translation: What René will find out when the ripped-off Amerindians and Inuit read him their history. "Maitre chez nous, only as much as we can!" Translation: We go back to Paree, eh René? Bon voyage.

—Ernest Boucher

The Daily will be giving photo pages on any subject for all photographers. Anyone wishing to exhibit pictures should drop by the Daily to discuss the technical aspects or phone Bob Bellini any day around noon at 392-8955.

Mao Knows

"We must not blindly follow the Soviet Union; we must be more discriminating. Every fart has some kind of smell, and we cannot say that all Soviet farts smell sweet. Everyone is now saying that they stink and we can say so too."

—Mao Tse-tung,
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One more race to go

Women skiers shine

by Roget

Ski Team chronicles continue with the dimly remembered story of the Bishop's University Giant Slalom, last February 7, at Owl's Head—dimly remembered by that intrepid band as the 6 am departure time that left those worthies with the symptoms of narcolepsy which they were to exhibit all day.

The Owl's Head race is traditionally a long, testing Giant Slalom. This year the race was cut to half its former length, much to the disappointment of the team members. They were however, somewhat mollified at the thought of being able to finish, this year, without rigor mortis setting in at the lower extremities.

Certainly the course must have been at least tolerably suitable for the members of our women's team, for despite some disparaging remarks from the girls about the course-setter's arcane habit of putting gates over some of the more irregular pieces of terrain, they did manage to finish first overall. Furthermore Joanne Clifford finished first individually, with Carol Jeffries fifth, Marie Beland eighth, and Marg Monahan placing in the top fifteen. Also moving at the end were: Kathy Walker, Sally Castel, and Darcy Zimmerman.

Not fortunate

The men were not quite as fortunate, with Phil Beauregarde sixth, and Mel Solcher eighth being our best placings. Veteran Hugh Balloch, 21st, had his strongest race of the season, with Hugh Berwick, Soen and Hing Yap, and Rick (Raoul) Duke, among others, managing to find all the gates somehow.

One week later, at the University of Montreal, it was a double-header on scenic Mount Royal with G.S. on Saturday and Slalom on Sunday. Conditions were exceptional, as the combined effects of sun, warm temperatures and hard use had metamorphosed the former snow into ice of a purity and clarity rarely to be found these days. To further add to the general amusement the organizers had built into the hill three jumps, of three to five feet each, thus giving some of the less inhibited members occasion to try and clear the bordering snow fence, lift line, and perhaps shuss off downtown on the adjacent street. Though no one actually managed to accomplish this there were some outstanding, if inadvertent, efforts.

In the women's Giant Slalom, McGill did very well; the girls placed second overall, one point behind the University of Montreal women (289 to 288). Joanne Clifford won her second race in a row with Marie Beland (fifth) and Carol Jeffries (tenth)



McGill skier Hing Yap shows off his skiing savvy at the University of Montreal tournament. Not only is Hing a skier, but he also swims for the varsity swim team.

also doing well. Again Cathy Walker and Sally Castel made it to the finish, along with Heather Dorion.

Not promising

The men's results were not promising, with Phil Beauregarde fifteenth, Brian Ward eighteenth, Peter Dauphinee, and Dave Wallace the only men to finish the initial two runs through the dual courses.

However in the subsequent runoffs among the top sixteen racers (head to head dual competition) Phil Beauregarde placed second, lasting until the final elimination round before he was finally beaten. Daniel Rivin of Chicoutimi won with a mob of racers from Laval close behind.

The Slalom went better for both the men's and women's

teams with the McGill women winning overall by an enormous margin: Once again Joanne Clifford placed first individually among the women, not only having the fastest time on the two qualification runs but also winning every heat in the subsequent runoffs (dual competition). Doesn't it ever get boring Joanne? Also showing strong performances were:

Glenna Jeffries sixth, Carol Jeffries eighth, Marie "Zut Alors" Beland ninth, and March Monahan eleventh.

Among the men Phil Beauregarde was again our best skier by placing fifth, coming 1.3 seconds behind winner Daniel Cadoret of Laval. Among other finishers were Peter Dauphinee, Dave Wallace and Soen Yap, not to mention Bruce "Egon" Zimmerman who recently traded in his old knees for a better trained pair that managed to find all the gates this time. Best performance of the day though must be awarded to Brian Ward who hooked a tip just before the last jump thereby treating passers-by to one of the finest displays of a 3/4 forward mobius flip yet seen, with perfect one point posterior landing. The standing ovation that ensued was well earned.

And so the prognosis: given that there is only one Q.U.A.A. race left this year as well as the Can-Am, it is a fair bet that the women's team will wind up first overall; the men's team should wind up fourth; and rumour has it that the Q.U.A.A. will pass a regulation requiring Joanne Clifford to carry leg irons and a ball and chain while racing to equalize competition. But would that be sufficient?

McGill fencers compete



These two duellers are engaging in a friendly but fierce display of the armed combat art of fencing.

by Peterson T. Riley

Last Saturday, the McGill Fencing Team hosted its 3rd Annual Invitational Tournament.

Our men's team finished fourth while the women finished in third and fourth position. Université du Québec took first place in both the men's and women's competitions. Laval followed Québec's example by taking second place in both categories. That left C.M.R. with a third in the men's and Concordia and John Abbott without glory in the rear positions.

Fired-up

Although the fencing team receives very little coverage or support, the fencers seem to be one of McGill's most fired-up teams. During a sport as gentlemanly as this, it sounded quite strange to hear all the cheering and ruckus made when a teammate was out on the strip.

They also made sure that anyone who peeked in to see what was going on got a full lecture on the merits of their art. As I received their pitch, I got the feeling that they are an endangered species. They felt that theirs was not a sport spectacle but a match of mind and body.

Fittingly, the members of the men's team view themselves as combatants. They have made their sport socially acceptable by removing the threat to life and adding gentlemanly manners. With all this, they still relish destroying an opponent. The women too, seemed to enjoy the sport but for its finesse and code of fair play. I personally found the sport's energy to lie in the middle of these two extreme positions.

Fine performances

Art (men's captain), Adam, Jeff and Siu-Ping from the men's team and Bernadette (club president and women's captain), Kim, Becky, Mairi, Terri and Meridith from the women's team should be congratulated on their fine performances and hard work.

Personally, I found fencing not to be a spectator sport though I strongly suggest everyone to stop by and support this team, as my personal preferences are not always popular and you will find the team's excitement to be contagious. But watch out or they will put you to work—timing, scoring or zipping up the girls' team's shirts.

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Men place tenth

Women swimmers ninth in nationals

by Sherwin Wong

The McGill Redmen swim team finished tenth and the Super Squaws ninth overall in the CIAU championships which concluded last Saturday in Waterloo, Ontario. The U of Toronto won the men's section while the U of Waterloo captured the women's competition.

Redman Chris Welch won three medals for McGill. He finished second in the 50 Freestyle, third in the 100 Free in 48.8 seconds and third in the 200 Free with a time of 1:46.7 sec.

Jim Griffin swam his personal best time in the 100 Butterfly by clocking in 57.1 sec. Griffin's teammate, Phil Wilson also swam the 100 Butterfly and recorded a time of 58.9 sec. George Bovell swam the 50 and 200 Freestyle races but failed to qualify in these events. Lloyd Crocker swam the 50 and 100 Freestyle events and turned in times of 24.7 and 53 seconds respectively.

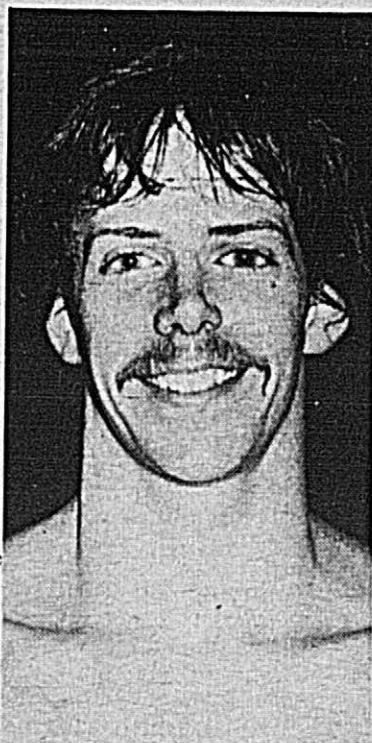
Coach Peter Merrill was generally pleased with the team's performance.

"In general, everybody walked away from the meet satisfied with their times," said Merrill. "I was really pleased with Chris Welch and Don MacFayden."

"Chris was truly an outstanding swimmer in the meet. The only people who beat him were guys who are training for the Olympic Games. He swam well considering the type of competition that he was facing."

Women swimmers

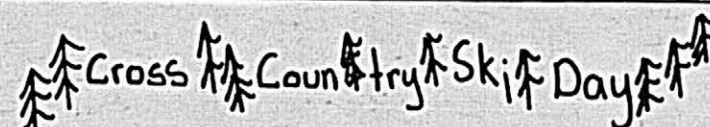
For the women, Anne Summers displayed her swimming talent by winning a silver in the 50 Freestyle in 25.2 sec. and a bronze in the 100 Freestyle with



Star swimmer Chris Welch led the way for the red 'n white

a time of 56.0 sec. With these times, she achieved her personal best times.

Vango Smith placed eleventh and seventh in the 100 and 200 Butterfly races respectively. Lois Moralejo, one of the better swimmers on the squad, failed to place in her three races. She placed eighth in the 200 Individual Medley, sixth in the 400 I.M., and eleventh in the 800 Freestyle. Carla Young was way back in the 100 Backstroke event. She finished nineteenth. Pat Smith finished in thirteenth position, both in the 100 and 200 Breaststroke events. The final swimmer, Peggy Delaney, ended up tenth in the 100 Breaststroke.



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